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Application Number: 09/640,272

Filing Date: 08-17-2000

Application Type: Utility

Art Unit:3624

First Named Inventor: Mamoud Sadre, Woburn, Massachusetts

Title of Invention: Risk management for manufacturing

Applicant/inventor address: 165 Tremont Street, Number 203, Boston, Ma 02111

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Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450



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Director of Petitions:

I, Mamoud Sadre (the applicant) submitted a non-provisional patent application (Exhibit B) in August 2000. The first office action(OA) was issued on March 13, 2003. It was mailed to the stated address of applicant at 800 Cummings Park, Woburn, Massachusetts, where the applicant 's employer, FTS Electronic MarKetplace, maintained an office at the time. Applicant received the first office action (OA) in late April 2003 because the change of address of 11-03-2000, as noted in Transaction History of application was not taken into account(Exhibit C). This, in turn, caused a long delay in mail delivery. Shortly after the receipt of OA, the applicant contacted the examiner, Stefanos Karamis requesting an inperson interview which took place in June 2003. The interview summary report was apparently mailed on June 25, 2003, but the new address was not incorporated and the report never arrived.

The new applications (Exhibit D) with designation "Continuations-in-Part" (CIP), containing additional claim and subject matter not disclosed in the prior application, were assumed by applicant to be the appropriate response to OA since it was discussed and agreed during the the interview. All new application(s) bore the new mailing address of applicant in New Hampshire(Exhibits A). The first CIP application, as "continuity" to the referenced application was cleared by OIPE CSR on 9/23/2003, well before the abandonment notice date(Echibit E).

The applicant believes that the above referenced interview, resulting in filing of two continuation-in-part applications constituted a response to OA wthin the 3- month period allowed. Moreover, the applicant's two additional CIP's filed after the abandonment date were accepted by USPTO without any comment or objection(Exhibit D). It is worth noting that the notice of abandonment apparently mailed on October 17, 2003 was never received by the applicant because of incorrect address being used even after the interview was conducted and new applications were filed.

The applicant respectfully requests that the abandonment of referenced application be canceled for the purpose of maintaing co-dependency of all his CIP applications.

Mamoud Sadre

Applicant

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Exhibit A- applicant address change information

Exhibit B-Bibliographic Data:

Application Number: 09/640,272

Filing or 371 (c) Date:08-17-2000

Status: Abandoned -- Failure to Respond to an Office Action

Application Type: UtilityStatus Date: 10-16-2003

Examiner Name: KARMIS, STEFANOS

Location: FILE REPOSITORY (FRANCONIA) Group

Art Unit:3624

Location Date:06-07-2011 Confirmation Number:4902 Class / Subclass:705/037

First Named Inventor: Mamoud Sadre, Woburn,

Title of Invention: Risk management for manufacturing

Exhibit C- Transaction History: 09/640.272

Date Transaction Description

07-22-2004 Correspondence Address Change

10-17-2003 Mail Abandonment for Failure to Respond to Office Action

10-16-2003 Aband. for Failure to Respond to O. A.

08-11-2003 Mail-Record Petition Decision of Granted to Make Special

07-16-2003 Petition Entered

06-25-2003 Mail Examiner Interview Summary (PTOL - 413)

06-24-2003 Examiner Interview Summary Record (PTOL - 413)

03-13-2003 Mail Non-Final Rejection

03-10-2003 Non-Final Rejection

08-27-2002 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU

04-23-2002 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU

04-23-2002 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU

02-21-2002 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU

11-06-2001 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU

- 11-03-2000 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
- 07-16-2001 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
- 11-03-2000 Correspondence Address Change
- 10-20-2000 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
- 10-05-2000 Application Dispatched from OIPE
- 10-05-2000 Correspondence Address Change
- 09-11-2000 IFW Scan & PACR Auto Security Review
- 08-17-2000 Initial Exam Team nn

Exhibit D- Summary of CIP applications

Application #	10/615,217	date submitted	July 8, 2003
Application #	10/659,517	date submitted	sept 11,2003
Application #	10/719,843	date submitted	Nov. 24,2003
Application #	10/770,131	date submitted	Feb. 3, 2004

Exhibit E-Transaction History: CIP application 10/615,217

Date Transaction Description

- 12-09-2008 Mail Abandonment for Failure to Respond to Office Action
- 12-08-2008 Aband. for Failure to Respond to O. A.
- 09-22-2008 Mail Examiner Interview Summary (PTOL 413)
- 09-16-2008 Examiner Interview Summary Record (PTOL 413)
- 08-28-2008 Mail Examiner Interview Summary (PTOL 413)
- 08-20-2008 Examiner Interview Summary Record (PTOL 413)
- 08-12-2008 Mail Examiner Interview Summary (PTOL 413)
- 07-30-2008 Examiner Interview Summary Record (PTOL 413)
- 07-14-2008 Mail Examiner Interview Summary (PTOL 413)
- 07-08-2008 Examiner Interview Summary Record (PTOL 413)
- 06-20-2008 Letter Requesting Interview with Examiner
- 03-20-2008 Correspondence Address Change
- 02-25-2008 Mail Non-Final Rejection
- 02-11-2008 Miscellaneous Incoming Letter
- 02-19-2008 Non-Final Rejection
- 02-05-2008 Date Forwarded to Examiner
- 12-26-2007 Response to Election / Restriction Filed
- 12-12-2007 Mail Notice of Informal or Non-Responsive Amendment
- 12-12-2007 Date Forwarded to Examiner
- 11-23-2007 Informal or Non-Responsive Amendment after Examiner Action

- 11-23-2007 Response to Election / Restriction Filed
- 11-14-2007 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
- 11-02-2007 Mail Restriction Requirement
- 10-31-2007 Restriction/Election Requirement
- 10-09-2007 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
- 10-09-2007 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
- 10-05-2007 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
- 10-05-2007 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
- 09-01-2007 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
- 07-17-2007 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
- 10-24-2006 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
- 12-02-2004 IFW TSS Processing by Tech Center Complete
- 12-02-2004 Case Docketed to Examiner in GAU
- 12-01-2004 Correspondence Address Change
- 01-22-2004 Miscellaneous Incoming Letter
- 12-12-2003 Miscellaneous Incoming Letter
- 11-03-2003 Miscellaneous Incoming Letter
- 02-26-2004 Application Return from OIPE
- 02-26-2004 Application Return TO OIPE
- 02-26-2004 Application Return from OIPE
- 02-26-2004 Application Is Now Complete
- 07-08-2003 Drawing Preliminary Amendment
- 02-26-2004 Pre-Exam Office Action Withdrawn
- 02-26-2004 Application Return TO OIPE
- 02-26-2004 Application Dispatched from OIPE
- 02-26-2004 Application Is Now Complete
- 01-22-2004 Additional Application Filing Fees
- 01-22-2004 A statement by one or more inventors satisfying the requirement under 35 USC 115, Oath of the Applic
- 01-15-2004Notice Mailed--Application Incomplete--Filing Date Assigned
- 10-24-2003Pre-Exam Office Action Withdrawn
- 12-12-2003Additional Application Filing Fees
- 12-12-2003Applicant has submitted a new specification to correct Corrected Papers problems
- 10-24-2003 Notice Mailed--Application Incomplete--Filing Date Assigned
- 09-23-2003 Cleared by OIPE CSR
- 09-23-2003 Cleared by OIPE CSR
- 09-06-2003 IFW Scan & PACR Auto Security Review
- 07-08-2003 CRF Disk Has Been Received by Preexam / Group/PCT07-
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